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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Mueller et al.

Art Unit: 1765

Application No. 09/547,425

Examiner: Vanessa Perez Ramos

Filed: April 11, 2000

For: **SYSTEM FOR THE PREFERENTIAL REMOVAL OF SILICON OXIDE**  
**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION**  
**OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

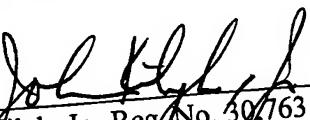
Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), the undersigned attorney, on behalf of applicant(s), hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to and including September 11, 2003, to take further action with respect to the Office Action dated March 11, 2003, which carried an original response date of June 11, 2003.

Applicants previously sought and paid for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated March 11, 2003. Accordingly, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$820.00 for the additional two-month extension of time (\$930 for three-month extension of time - \$110 previously paid for one-month extension of time = \$820). Any additional fee which may be due or any other charges in connection with the submission of this response should be charged to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Date: September 11, 2003

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I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action and all accompanying documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on August 29, 2003, in an envelope as "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR 1.10, Mailing Label Number EV 336874817 US, addressed to: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.			
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